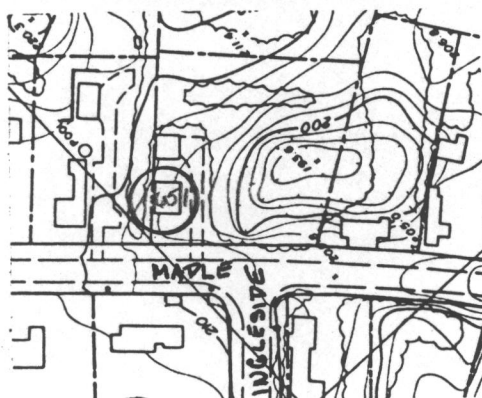


FORM B – BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125



Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

0030000105

Boston N.

651

Town Lexington

Place (neighborhood or village)

Address 25 Maple St.

Historic Name Isaac Redfield/George Worthen House

Uses: Present Residential

Original Residential

Date of Construction 1863

Source Lexington Valuation lists

Style/Form Italianate

Architect/Builder

Exterior Material:

Foundation Brick

Wall/Trim Wood Clapboard

Roof Asphalt Shingle

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures Garage

Major Alterations (with dates)

Rear addition (date unknown)

Condition Good

Moved ☒ no ☐ yes Date

Acreage 0.8 A.

Setting On a heavily-trafficked street in a row of 19th-century houses

Recorded by Nancy S. Seasholes

Organization Lexington Historical Commission

Date (month / year) February 1998

Follow Massachusetts Historical Commission Survey Manual instructions for completing this form.

BUILDING FORM

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION ☐ *see continuation sheet*

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

25 Maple St. is one of the best-preserved vernacular front-gabled Italianate houses in Lexington. The house is rectangular, 2½ stories, three-by-three bays, and front-gabled with two side chimneys. It is set on a brick foundation, clad with wood clapboards, and roofed with asphalt shingles. At the rear is a large front-gabled addition on a concrete foundation with a "garrison" overhang. On the east elevation is a three-sided two-story bay on a brick foundation. The main entry is on the facade; windows are 2/2 double hung sash. Italianate finishes include cornerboards, side frieze boards, eave returns, and square porch posts with curved brackets that create a flattened-arch effect. The detached two-car brick garage has a hip roof.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE ☐ *see continuation sheet*

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

Lexington assessors' records indicate that this house was built in 1863 by Isaac F. Redfield, a Boston lawyer who also owned the house now at 3 Ingleside Rd. (MHC #646) and the farm associated with it. Redfield had purchased the lot on which this house is located in 1863 and in 1864 was assessed for two houses—the one now at 3 Ingleside Rd. and this one, which had clearly been built in the interim. Redfield sold this house in 1865 and in 1891 it was purchased by George E. Worthen, a machinist, whose son, Edwin B., became the treasurer of the Lexington Savings Bank and an antiquarian authority on Lexington history.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES ☐ *see continuation sheet*

Lexington Valuation Lists. 1863–1866.

Middlesex Registry of Deeds. Deeds. 898: 70; 955: 541; 1067: 69; 2065: 245.

☐ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*